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DEPARTMENT FOR AMBASSADOR SHELDON VANCE, DEA FOR NTI/STUTMAN

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TAGS: SNAR, IR

SUBJ: DEA FORENSIC CHEMIST'S SCHOOL NO 3, NOVEMBER 1-19,  
1976

REF: STATE 178983

1. MISSION NOMINATES FOLLOWING TWO IRANIAN OFFICIALS FOR SUBJECT SCHOOL: (1) DR. ZIA ALAMZADEH, HEAD, DEPARTMENT OF FORENSIC MEDICINE, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, AND (2) DR. MAMOUD KARAMI, DIRECTOR, BIOCHEMISTRY SECTION, REFERENCE LABORATORY, MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

2. DR. ALMZADEH HAS AN MD FROM TEHRAN UNIVERSITY AND A MASTERS IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND TROPICAL MEDICINE FROM TULANE UNIVERSITY(1959). HE IS IN CHARGE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE WHICH DEALS WITH THE DETERMINATION OF HE CAUSE OF DEATH IN CRIMINAL AND ACCIDENT CASES AS WELL AS DETECTION OF ADDICTION AMONG THOSE ENTERING IRANIAN PRISONS. ALTHOUGH HE IS NO LONGER AT THE TECHNICIAN LEVEL, HE SUPERVISES THOSE WHO ARE ENGAGED IN THE TECHNIQUES LISTED IN THE REFTEL AND WOULD BE ABLE TO PASS THOSE TECHNIQUES ON. HE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN VISITING CRIME LABORATORIES IN THE U.S. FOR BACKGROUND ON HOW TO IMPROVE THOSE HE SUPERVISES IN IRAN.

3. DR. KARAMI IS A GRADUATE IN PHARMACOLOGY FROM TEHRN UNIVERSITY AND HAS VISITED IN COPENHAGEN AND THE HAGUE AT THE INV-  
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TATION OF WHO ON NARCOTIC ANALYSIS MATTERS. HE HAS TEN YEARS

OF EXPERIENCE IN DRUG ADDICTION DETECTION AND ANALYSIS OF DRUG SAMPLES BY THE TECHNIQUES LISTED IN REFTEL. ALTHOUGH HIS ENGLISH IS NOT AS SERVICABLE AS THAT OF DR. ALAMZADEH, IT IS QUITE ADEQUATE FOR UNDERSTANDING AND SELF EXPRESSION. HE IS ALSO CONVERSANT WITH FOREIGN LITERATURE IN HIS FIELD.

4. BIO DATA WILL BE FORWARDED SOONEST.

5. WASHINGTON WILL RECALL THAT IRAN DID NOT RESPOND TO CALL FOR CANDIDATES LAST YEAR, BUT MISSION IS GRATIFIED WITH GOI ACTION ON SHORT NOTICE THIS TIME. WE BELIEVE BOTH CANDIDATES ARE WELL QUALIFIED, AND IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF IRAN OT OUR WORLDWIDE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION EFFORTS HOPE THAT BOTH WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE SCHOOL.  
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